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### IMMEDIATE REMOVAL REQUEST (10 POINT DOCUMENT)

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1. General Information

Suring the approximate years of 1935 until 1971 the Dead Creek site received a variety of industrial waster. The site is located in Sunget, St. Clair County, Illinois. A U.S. EPA im ediate removal action, costing 430,910, enclosed the entire area with a security fence cluring 1982. Om September 8,1983, an automobile destroyed about thirty feet of this fence. Current information on this accident is outlined in the attached Cahokia Police Accident Mo. 2063.

Since the accident the car has been towed away while the knocked-down section of fence remains as a break in an otherwise secured site. This request is for an appropriation of a maximum \$500.00 to repair the damaged fence.

# 2. Azzardons Substances Involved

identified in certain samples.

Local citizens reported in May 1980 that the mostly-day Dead Creek bed would periodically catch fire. In august 1980 the IEPA learned that a nearly residents dog died of chemical burns after rolling in the creek bed. It this time IEPA began testing the soils and groundwater in both Dead Creek and a quarry fond adjacent and connected to the creek. These analyses revealed concentrations of several metals including bar im, copper, lead, nickel, phosphorous and zinc exceeded several thousand parts per million (ppm). Polychlorinated bishenyle (100 appn), dichlorobensene (12000 ppn), stylene (540 ppn), trichlorobengene (3700 ppm), chloronitrobengene (240 ppm), bijhenyl (9000 ppm), dichlorophenol (170 ppm), alkylbenzenes (370 ppm) naphthalenes (650 ppm), and hydrocarbons (21000 ppm) were also

3. Methods Used to Great in Environment.

Soil, surface water, and groundwater samples were analyzed by the IEPA through a state-run laboratory. Quality control and reliability of this data belonge with the IEPA.

4. Theat to Human Health
The breach in the fence raises the distinct possibility
of direct contact to the surrounding population.

5. Threat to Environment

The possibility of local eco-systems being adversely affected by access to the site is greatly increased by the disturbance to the security fence.

6. Summary of Overall Threat

The extent of contamination at the Dead Creek site was discovered to be pervasive enough to have a security fence constructed around the site last year. The loss of a section of its fence presents an immediate danger to local children who might ignore posted warnings and ester through the unsecured section onto the site. The accident has resulted in a renewed threat to the public.

7. Effected Changes in Situation Should No action be Taken, or Should action Be Delayed.

A delay of the fence repair work greatly increases the chances of direct human contact with Dead Creeks Nontamination. The town of Cahokia, Illinois, has a population of 20,000 and is only two miles from the Dead Creek site.

8. Meed for Federal action

Although this site has not been listed on the Mational Priorities List, the IEPA has characterized Dead Creek as a threat to the public health and welfare without the site

secured.

9. Response Options

The most reasonable response at this time is to repair the ferce.

This work should not exceed \$500.00.

10. Proposed Response action

The original installation was completed in an efficient and industrious manner by the brante City Flence Company. The OSC will again utilize the brante City Flence Company because of their familiarity with both the site and the original fence construction. Once approved the repair work should take no longer than

ten days.

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MEARL J. JUSTUS
Chief of Police

## DEPARTMENT OF POLICE CAHORIA. ILLINOIS

#### CONTINUATION REPORT

File No. 155601 State Accident #7880109

While on patrol this officer observed Unit #1 in the ditch at Dead Creek and Judith Lane. The vehicle had struck the chain link fence on the north side of Judith and was resting on the same. Approximately 30' of fence was destroyed due to the impact. This officer further noted that an advisory sign was mounted on a post stating that a PETROLEUM PIPELINE was buried in the location. This post was pushed over slightly.

It appeared as though Unit #1 had been westbound on Judith lane, suddenly turning sharply to the right and striking the fence. This officer could not locate anyone around the vehicle nor any identification inside the same.

Unit #1, a 1971 Chevrolet Vega 2 door, Green, VIN 141771U104722, was registered by VIN to

ROBERT THOMPSON 1704 Andrews Cahokia, Il

The Illinois registration for 83, ZGG245, was registered on a 1971 Ford, to CHARLES SPRIGGS
2390 Lorraine Drive
Cahokia, Il.

This officer had the vehicle towed by Floyd's Towing, at which time it was taken to their garage at 222 Water Street.

This officer was unable to contact either THOMPSON or SPRIGGS and was unable to determine who the vehicle belonged to.

This officer contacted the EXPLORER PIPELINE COMPANY, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Phone (918) 743-5393, owner of the underground pipeline and advised them of the incident. They advised a crew from the Woodriver area would check the line later in the day.

Before completing this report, this officer was advised by the dispatcher that the owner of the vehicle, CHARLES R. SPRIGGS, 2385 Lorraine, Cahokia, DOB 07/23/46, TX none, had contacted this department and advised his vehicle had been stolen. As Spriggs lives in St. Clair County he was advised to contact that agency.

Pat'n Kevin Gordon #44